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Illinois Commerce Commission  
RAIL SAFETY SECTION

Ref.: Docket # TOL - 0028

To: Nick Korte  
Illinois Commerce Commission

From: Russell Metzger and Verna Lehn Roberts

Subject: Proposed R.R. Crossing Closure  
at [milepost # 93.23 D.O.T. # 069158G

Motion:

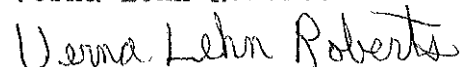
We come upon this action to request the enclosed petition  
and letters be admitted into the record of the May 31, 2001 hearing,  
Docket # TOL-0028, to be entered as Late filed Exhibits.

Sincerely,

Russ Metzger



Verna Lehn Roberts



HH/RK

Senator Frank Watson:

*and all parties on service list of Docket # T01-0028*

Dear Frank,

I have owned and operated Hookdale Elevator Inc., a grain elevator, Ag fertilizer and Ag chemical business, for the last 24 years in the Village of Hookdale. For the past 10 years I have attempted to have lights installed at the railroad crossing in Hookdale just east of the elevator office. The railroad is the Burlington Northern Santa Fe. No accidents have occurred at this crossing or any of the four crossings within a one mile distance from Hookdale, but then have been some close calls at the crossing in Hookdale. The Railroad and ICC are proposing the closing of two of these four crossings in the close proximity of Hookdale. One is at milepost 98.59 D.O.T. #069318T and one at milepost 98.23 D.O.T. #069158G. The general consensus of the community accepts the closing of crossing #98.59, but the closing of crossing #98.23 just north of Hookdale is unanimously opposed.

In order to close #98.23 a new road would need to be constructed and maintained through the farmland owned by Verna Roberts of Greenville Il. She strongly opposes cutting a road through her farm. The proposed new road, which has been called the High Street extension to 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, would divert all traffic from north of Hookdale, through the middle of town, and past the grain elevator, which would create a safety problem at the elevator with the added traffic of vehicles and farm machinery adding to the congestion and safety of the traffic in town.

I know the seasonal traffic patterns in and around Hookdale and when the farmers are planting and harvesting I have the most traffic at the elevator. If crossing #98.23 were closed, the traffic congestion would increase and safety would be jeopardized.

At the public hearing on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2001, the Railroad testified that the cost of building the new road, the high street extension to 6<sup>th</sup> ave, would be approximately \$107,000.00 plus approximately \$20,000.00 to acquire the land from Verna Roberts. The Railroad and ICC also testified that the cost of putting lights and gates at crossing #98.23 would be approximately \$148,000.00. So for about \$27,000.00 more, the crossing could be left open and everyone in the community would be happy.

A petition was circulated, of which a copy is enclosed, showing 262 signatures, including every Registered Voter of Bond County within a two mile radius of the crossing in question. All these people are opposed to the closing of crossing #98.23.

My understanding is that the lights alone installed at this crossing would cost less than \$50,000.00. This would be adequate.

In February, 2000, I sold Hookdale Elevator Inc to South Central FS of 1800 Hillsboro Rd, Vandalia, Illinois, 62471. I have been hired to continue to manage the business located in Hookdale and am very concerned for the safety of my neighbors and friends who are now customers of South Central FS.

Sincerely,

*Russell Metzger*  
Russell Metzger

*6/20/01*

DATE

Senator Frank Watson:

*and all parties on service list of Docket #*

June 19, 2001  
DATE

Dear Frank,

*J 01-0028*

I, Verna Roberts, am 92 years old and have been a lifelong resident of Hookdale until a few years ago when I moved to Greenville. My Grandfather, Louis Lehn, donated the land for the town of Hookdale in 1883. The Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad wants to build a road through my farm in order to close a railroad crossing at milepost 98.23 just north of Hookdale.

I don't want my farm cut up by an unnecessary road. I strongly object to the closing of the crossing 5598.23 just north of Hookdale. This action would lessen the value of my farm and I know the issue of safety at the crossing has been advocated. Every vehicle wishing to cross at milepost #98.23 would be detoured through my farm, through the middle of Hookdale. Therefore there will be no more or no less traffic crossing the tracks if this crossing is closed. This means safety is not the issue, but there would be more traffic in town, creating a traffic safety problem at the elevator instead of at the crossing at #98.23.

Please do not close the crossing at milepost #98.23 on 6<sup>th</sup> avenue. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

*Verna Lehn Roberts*  
Verna Lehn Roberts

DATE: 6-4-2001

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1. Meg Margaret Roberts	111 South Prairie Greenville, Ill. 6224
2. Vera Roberts	111 South Prairie Greenville, Ill. 6224
3. John Smith	Greenville, Ill.
4. Sam Davis	Greenville, Ill.
5. Mary Thompson	Keyesport
6. Helen Thompson	Keyesport
7. Elmer Thompson	Keyesport
8. Betty Thompson	Keyesport
9. John Thompson	Keyesport
10. Mary Thompson	Keyesport
11. Wayne N. Otter	Keyesport
12. Anne Langham	Keyesport
13. Nate Langham	Keyesport
14. Sandra Unterbrink	Greenville
15. Dean Unterbrink	Greenville
16. Bruce Unterbrink	Greenville
17. Aggie Unterbrink	Greenville
18. Julie Unterbrink	Greenville
19. Crystal Unterbrink	Greenville
20. Glenn Unterbrink	Greenville
21. Louise Doerksen	Greenville
22. Tom Doerksen	Greenville

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1 Gene Pottshast	2101 Spru 127 Greenville
2 Shirley Pottshast	2101 Spru 127 "
3 Mary M. Martin	Greenville, Ill.
4 Claude Lutz	Greenville Ill.
5 Michael Reitz	Greenville Ill.
6 Randy L. Lutz	Greenville, Ill.
7 Janice Barth	1009 E. Oak, Greenville
8 Erance L Barth	1009 E. Oak Greenville
9 Wilson C King	203 E. 5th St Smithboro, Ill.
10 Judy King	" " " "
11 Thomas Whalen	Greenville, Ill.
12 William C. Lutz	Greenville, Ill.
13 Mary Chappell	Greenville, Ill.
14 Francis Fausler	Smithboro, Ill.
15 Ronald D Fausler	Smithboro, Ill.
16 Dorcas Whalen	Greenville Ill.
17 Dorcas Whalen	Greenville Ill.
18 Evelyn Neathery	Mulberry Grove.
19 Evelyn Neathery	Mulberry Grove.
20 Eldon Neumann	Mulberry Grove
21 Marilyn Neumann	Mulberry Grove, Ill.
22 Loretta Schade	Mulberry Grove, Ill.
23 Moxine Vincent	Smithboro, Ill.

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1 James Schauffelberger	Greenville, Ill.
2 Sue Schauffelberger	Greenville, Ill.
3 Glenn J. Weiss	Greenville, Ill.
4 Terry E. Weiss	Greenville, Ill.
5 Joe Brown	518 St Rt 127, Greenville, Ill.
6 Elton L. Brown	" "
7 Theodore D. Willman	612 Martin Rd
8 Susan J. Willman	Greenville, Ill.
9 Pat McCain	Shannon Ill
10 Tony MCM	547 Moh. Rd Greenville
11 Urban L. Jupp	1538 Hookdale Ave Greenville
12 G. A. Jupp	Greenville
13 Ardis Reavis	1497 Hookdale Ave Greenville
14 Rodney Reavis	1497 Hookdale Ave. Ill.
15 Lorraine Schauffelberger	1462 Hookdale Ave. Ill.
16 Kim Kaster	556 Rt 127 Greenville Ill
17 John A. Kaster	Greenville, Ill.
18 William Kaster	Greenville, Ill.
19 E. Fred Bird	R R
20 Charles W. Chadwell	610 Robert Greenville, Ill.
21 Joyce Flamm	1415 Sale Barn Ave. Greenville, Ill.
22 Allen Flamm	1415 Sale Barn Ave. Greenville, Ill.

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Thelma Droggins	475 N. D. Rd. M. D. Ill 62262
Eland Droggins	" " " " " "
Judy Cline	Muller's Grove Ill
Charles Cline	Muller's Grove Ill 62262
Ray Bohle	1355 Bohle Rd Greenville, Ill 62262
Tom Marshall	1341 Newport Rd Smithtown
Joe Leckner	Rt 2 Box 243 Muller's Grove
Carol Bohle	1355 Bohle Rd Greenville
Janell DeBlas	1275 Red Ball Trail Greenville
Harold C. Steiner	1481 27th St. Muller's Grove
Virginia Flamm	1564 Pleasant Mound
Virginia Flamm	1564 Pl. md. Supt. Smithtown
Tony Svecchich	1574 PLEASANT MOUND Hg.
Kimberly Dohn	1606 Sale Barn Ave. Greenville, IL
Peggy Dohn	1606 Sale Barn Ave Greenville Ill
Darry Dohn	1606 Sale Barn Ave Greenville Ill
Mildred Shuckman	607 Sherman Greenville, IL
Missie Headman	607 Sherman Greenville Ill
Nancy Headman	607 Sherman Greenville, IL 62246
Edith Headman	121 E. South Ave. Greenville, Ill 62246
Peggy Headman	121 E South Ave Greenville, IL 62246
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Martha M. Jenner	541 Mt. Nebo Ave, Greenville, IL 62246
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Mary Rose Zeeb	748 Millersburg Rd Greenville IL 62246
Joe Zeeb	1321 Hookdale Ave, Greenville IL
Michelle Zeeb	1321 Hookdale Ave Greenville, IL 62246
Teo Walth	1388 Hookdale Ave Greenville IL
Kevin L. Hoffer	1721 SEAGRAVES CENTRY AVE SMITHBORO, IL
Lola Zeeb	1355 Airport Ave Greenville
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Mildred Bohle	Greenville, IL
Glenn Hillman	661 Pudleyville Rd Greenville
2. Clarence Wellman	661 Pudleyville Rd Greenville



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Jonathan Kinton	Smithboro, IL 62284
Joanna Linton	Smithboro, IL 62284
Kenia Williams	Smithboro, IL 62284
Carolyn Willman	Smithboro, IL 62284
Thelma Susan <sup>(daughter)</sup> by Carolyn Willman	Smithboro, IL 62284
Art Zuckeworth	Smithboro, IL 62284
Elmer Zuckeworth	Smithboro, IL 62284
Opal Zuckeworth	Smithboro, IL 62284
Martha Metzger	Keyesport, Ill. 62253
Richard Lehr	Keyesport, Ill. 62253
Richard W. Lehr	Keyesport, Ill. 62253
Lelia Lehr	Keyesport, Ill. 62253
Janet Elyman	Keyesport, Ill. 62253
Shirley Lany	1538 Rockblake Dr. Greenville
Samuel Larkin	Greenville, Ill. 664-3
Anna Larkin	2466 Airport Ave, Greenville, Ill.
Brad Larkins	1696 Martin Rd. Greenville, Ill.
Shelby Belcher	249 Pleasant Rd Greenville, Ill.
Wayne Belcher	" " " " "
Mar Belcher	" " " " "

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Daniel E. Lee	1673 Hookdale Ln. Smithboro, IL
Robert S. Tomplin	909 Bonanza Rd. Smithboro
Edith P. Matye	574 15th Rd. Smithboro, Ill.
Calvin Matye	574 15th Rd. Smithboro, Ill.
James T. Allet	1590 Hookdale Ave. Keyesport
Michael M. Albert	1590 Hookdale Ave. Keyesport
Larry Eyma	1528 Hookdale Ave. Keyesport
Wm. Williams	532 IL 127 Greenville, Ill.
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Larry Kleiner	1259 Airport Ave Greenville
Charles S. Johnson	1416 AIRPORT AVE Greenville
Carl A. Johnson	1414 AIRPORT AVE Greenville
JoAnn Naly	1735 6th Ave. Smithboro, Ill.
Mary Kuntz	585 Becker Rd. Smithboro, Ill.
Becky Kuntz	15 Smithboro, Ill.
Edith T. King	Smithboro, Ill.
Alfred King	"
Phyllis King	Smithboro, Ill.
Agnes Meyer	Smithboro, Ill.
W. A. Meyer	Smithboro, Ill.
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John Tomlin	752 18th St Smithboro IL
Tina Tomlin	" "
Harold & Carol Bristow	1706 Fifth Ave " "
Phyllis Bode	1687 Hookdale Ln. " "
Steve Strubberg	1687 Hookdale Ln. " "
Wesley Dethgen	1096 King Rd. Smithboro Ill. 62
Rebecca H. Dethgen	" " " "
Clay J. Palmer	1708 Hookdale Ln. Smithboro,
Melody Selmkamp	1707 Hookdale Ln. Smithboro
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Doris K Eymann	612 Raven Road Smithboro Il 62289
John Marcot	526 Dudleyville RD Greenville 62246
Faye E Marcot	545 Dudleyville RD Greenville 62246
Edith Jenner	498 Dudleyville Rd Greenville 62246
Stanley Jenner	498 Dudleyville Rd Greenville 62246
Joe Pourchat	1251 Hunter School AVE
Maury Pourchat	1251 Hunter School Ave
Mike Vander Nae	1463 Hunter School Ave
Carl Vanderhaar	1463 Hunter School Ave.
Curtis Hochett	1422 Hunter School Ave -
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Pat Ballard	477 Jay Rd 62246
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Helon Smith	1267 Hunter School Ave 62246
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Sydney Marcot	545 Dudleyville Rd Greenville
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James F Kaegy	1137 Equine Ave Greenville
Lynn Kaegy	1132 Equine Ave. Greenville
Bessie Kaegy	1134 Equine Ave. Greenville Ill
Bob Kinder	504 Olde Cabin Rd Greenville IL
John Kinder	481 Olde Cabin Rd Greenville
John Kinder	473 OLDE CABIN RD GREENVILLE
JL HSA	384 METCALF RD Greenville
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Henry Hear	1248 IL RT 143 Greenville IL
Mary E Huer	1248 IL RT 143 Greenville, IL
Gene Dugan	1273 IL RT 143 Greenville, IL
Taul Dugan	1273 IL RT 143 Greenville, IL
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Larry Lagant	337 Dudleyville Rd Greenville IL
Will Lantz	356 Dudleyville Rd Greenville, IL
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Emma J. Eymann	531 Old Cabin Rd. Greenville, IL
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Hannah Meyer	727 North Elm Greenville, IL
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Kris Eymann	617 E. Oak Greenville
Thonda Vohlken	315 Woodlawn Ave, Greenville, IL
Lola Horsfall	118 Sunset Pt. Greenville, IL
May Siler	373 Dudleyville Rd, Greenville
Danny Hinkle	1719 Dudleyville Rd, Greenville
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